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NO PROM RELATED DUI/ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS INVOLVING MARIN TEENS OVER WEEKEND

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The Marin office of the California Highway Patrol is pleased to announce that there were no alcohol or drug related arrests or violations involving Marin high school students on Friday or Saturday night (May 13^{th} and 14^{th}) within their jurisdiction. This is significant as there were at least two prom events over the weekend at San Rafael and Redwood High Schools.

CHP Officers were vigilant over the weekend with the knowledge that prom goers would be traversing across Marin and into surrounding areas like San Francisco. Officers noted a large number of limousine's and small rental busses coming and going throughout the county.

Only two prom goers had a chance meeting with the CHP when they were both cited for speeding while going to pick up their prom dates. On Saturday May 14th, a CHP officer was enforcing the 35 MPH speed limit on Point San Pedro Road east of Mooring Road using a handheld Laser device (LIDAR). At around 4:30 PM, he stopped a Toyota Camry for allegedly driving 52 MPH in the 35 MPH area. The 18 year old male driver was wearing a tuxedo and late to pick up his date for the San Rafael High School prom. At approximately 4:50 PM, the same CHP officer stopped an Infinity G35 for allegedly driving 57 MPH in the same area. The 18 year old driver in this vehicle was also late for a prom related event. Both drivers were cited for the speed violations and released. As part of its unincorporated county road speed enforcement responsibilities, the CHP also issued several citations for speed in this area which were not related to prom goers.

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This press release is being provided as an ongoing effort by the Marin CHP to bring attention to teen drug, alcohol, and license violations that fall under the jurisdiction of the California Highway Patrol within Marin County.